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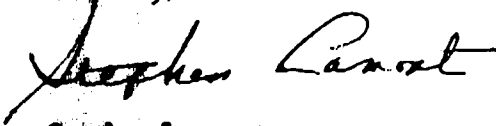
Dear Mr. Ashcroft,

I must say that I am not surprised to learn that the settlement between Microsoft and the Department of Justice is being delayed even further. Not only was the suit ridiculous to begin with, but now that a settlement has been reached, there are those who still want to hold up the process. I think it is time we let things move forward, and let the agreement speak for itself.

During these times of economic strain, it seems foolish to waste valuable resources on fighting another court battle, particularly one that has been settled. Microsoft has not only agreed to rework licensing and marketing agreements, but has agreed to design future versions of Windows for even easier installation of non-Microsoft software. At this point, Microsoft has made many concessions to open up the competitive market, but the process is being delayed. Let us help get the technology industry back on track, by having this agreement move forward.

I urge you to support this settlement as it is, and help stop any further action against it. Let us help the IT sector get back to business, by letting the terms of this agreement speak for themselves.

Sincerely,



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